

## **GOOD NEWS ABOUT USY!!**

**Dear 9 - 12 Graders,**

**For many years B'nai Shalom has sponsored West Orange USY. In an attempt to bolster attendance and interest, 2 years ago West Orange joined with South Orange USY. This was not very successful and at this time South Orange has decided to become a separate chapter. We are taking this year to reorganize ourselves so that we can have an active chapter of our own in the future. We wanted our teens to have a good option for the upcoming year so we approached Livingston USY. They graciously accepted having our group join their chapter for the coming year.**

**This past year many of you have had the chance to meet Scott Lantzman at our synagogue. He has been running the Teen Chat Room twice a month on Shabbat mornings. Scott is the youth advisor for the Livingston USY chapter. Livingston USY is the current International Chapter of the Year and has a very active base of teens. We are very excited about this, and Scott's group is making many changes to make this a good move.**

**Beginning in September, Livingston USY will be changing their meetings to every Thursday evening from 7:30-9:00 at Temple Beth Shalom on Mt. Pleasant Avenue. In the past the Livingston meetings were held on Wednesday evenings. Because of our very successful Teen Torah Reading Academy which meets on Wednesday evenings, Scott's group has decided to switch their meetings to Thursdays. Some of their past events have included Bouncy Boxing, a Limo Scavenger Hunt, and Scooter Football. They have also been very successful at raising money for Tikun Olam (the USY charity fund). The group performs various Social Action projects. You are also encouraged to join the Livingston USY basketball team, which will be coached by Elliot Grossman, Marc Kallus, and Jeff Stiel.**

**B'nai Shalom will pay first year dues for our incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders. All you need to do is attend one USY program and your dues will be activated. For those of you entering 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades, dues are \$50 for the year. The USY Code of Conduct/Application is on the back of this letter. Please complete this form and mail it with your dues (made out to "Livingston USY") to Suzanne Grossman, 2 Howell Dr., West Orange, 07052. Remember, entering 9<sup>th</sup> graders do not pay at this time, but simply fill out the form. Scott can be reached by phone at 992-9293 or e-mail at [housedad01@aol.com](mailto:housedad01@aol.com). I can be reached at 243 - 9798 or by email at [PDNeuro@aol](mailto:PDNeuro@aol).**

**I truly hope that you take advantage of this opportunity to be a part of a great USY chapter. Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to call Scott at the number above or me at 243-9798. Any parents who are interested in participating in the youth committee are more than welcome. With more parents involved with the committee we will be able to continue to strengthen the programs offered to our children.**

**Hope you have a great summer,  
Suzanne Grossman  
Teri Solomon  
B'Nai Shalom Youth Committee**

ESS: \_\_\_\_\_

IT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER: ( \_\_\_\_\_ )

**PLEASE READ AND SIGN THIS CODE OF CONDUCT**

In connection with any Regional program (including dances), including travel to and from such program:

1. There is to be no smoking.
2. There is to be no possession or use of any narcotics, marijuana, other illegal drugs or prescription drugs not prescribed for the user.
3. There will be no possession or consumption of any alcoholic beverages.
4. There will be no shoplifting or any other theft of any kind.
5. If a USYer is caught in possession of/or using alcohol or illegal drugs, he/she will immediately be sent home at his/her parents' expense. Furthermore, USY International policy states: "Anyone violating any such rules at a regional event for the infraction of these rules is barred from International events for one year following the infraction. These events include (but are not limited to) the International USY Convention and USY summer programs." The Region reserves the right to impose additional sanctions in connection with this or any other improper behavior as it sees fit.
6. Each participant is expected to maintain proper decorum and attitude during the entire program. Disruptive behavior (including, among other things, inappropriate sexual behavior) will not be tolerated. Your parents will be responsible to pay for any damage you may cause.
7. No attendee may leave the facility except at those times specified by the schedule.
8. Each participant is expected to conduct him/herself appropriately as a Conservative Jew (including through the observance of Shabbat and Kashrut), in accordance with applicable standards of the Law and Standards Committee of the Rabbinical Assembly and/or the local Rabbinical Authority.
9. The USY or Kadima Director, in consultation with the Regional Youth Commission, reserves the right to enforce other rules relating to the integrity of the Regional Youth Program and/or the health, safety or welfare of it's participants.
10. The Region reserves the right to search the room and belongings of any attendee if it has reasonable grounds to believe that such a search is necessary to secure the health, safety and/or welfare of the program and or its participants. USY or Kadima Director, in consultation with the Regional Youth Commission, reserves the right to enforce other rules relating to the integrity of the Regional Youth Program and/or the health, safety or welfare of its participants.

I have read these rules and understand them fully. I certify that I will adhere to this Code and will conduct myself in a manner reflecting credit upon myself, my chapter, congregation and community. Any violation of this code of conduct may result in the participant being sent home at his/her parents' expense. The Regional Director has the sole discretion to send a participant home.

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SIGNATURE OF PARENT

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SIGNATURE OF USYer/Kadimanik

INSURANCE CO. \_\_\_\_\_ POLICY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL USYERS/KADIMANIKS MUST HAVE MEDICAL INSURANCE IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN REGIONAL PROGRAMS:**

EMERGENCY CONTACT PERSON \_\_\_\_\_ EMERGENCY PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ (not a parent)

*Please provide details for applicable items pertaining to your child.*

Allergies (Food, drug, insect or substance) \_\_\_\_\_

Current Medication(s) or Medical Treatment \_\_\_\_\_

Recent illness, injury or surgery \_\_\_\_\_

Disability, chronic illness or condition \_\_\_\_\_

Activity restriction or modification \_\_\_\_\_

**STATEMENT AND EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION**

I (the parent or legal guardian) of the applicant state that he/she is in good/normal health, has no physical or mental handicaps that would interfere with full participation in the program and has my permission to engage in all available activities except as noted under Restrictions or Modifications above. I have been made aware of the fact that the events in which my child is participating may be photographed by either amateur or professional photographers, that the photographs taken may be used both for purposes of reporting on the event or for such other use as the Hagan' USY or Kadima organization may determine. I have no objection to the pictures taken being used at any time for promotional use. It is my understanding that by signing this document I consent to the use of the pictures just referred to for any purpose whatsoever.

In case of a medical emergency, accident or health problem where immediate treatment is deemed necessary, every effort will be made to expeditiously contact the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the participant, or the emergency contact person listed above. In the event I cannot be reached, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the Regional USY/Kadima Director, or his/her designee, to hospitalize, secure proper and ongoing treatment and to order injection, anesthesia, or surgery for my child as named above. I am aware that this form may be photocopied for use by medical caregivers.

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SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_